

alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce within the period from on or about April 12 to July 27, 1943, by the Producers Peanut Co., Inc., from Suffolk, Va.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of larvae, cast skins, and insect fragments. The article was labeled in part: "Shelled Peanuts Virginia Peanut Co. \* \* \* Baltimore, Md."

On August 27, 1943, E. S. Vandora and William C. Gereny, copartners trading as the Virginia Peanut Company, having admitted the allegations of the libel and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed or converted into animal feed.

**5395. Misbranding of peanuts. U. S. v. 312 Dozen and 11 Dozen Packages of Peanuts. Default decree of condemnation. Product ordered delivered to the U. S. O. (F. D. C. No. 10102. Sample Nos. 33481-F, 33482-F.)**

This product was short-weight.

On June 19, 1943, the United States attorney for the Southern District of New York filed a libel against 312 dozen packages and 11 dozen packages of peanuts at Newburgh, N. Y., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about June 1, 1943, by the Royal Nut & Candy Co., Inc., from Hoboken, N. J.; and charging that it was misbranded. The article was labeled in part: "Royal Seniors 10¢ \* \* \* Peanuts \* \* \* Net Wt. 2 Oz.," or "Royal Juniors 5¢ \* \* \* Net Wt. 1 Oz."

The article was alleged to be misbranded in that the statements "Net Wt. 1 Oz." and "Net Wt. 2 Oz." were false and misleading as applied to an article that was short-weight, and in that it was in package form and failed to bear a label containing an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents.

On August 20, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed. On September 25, 1943, an amended order was entered providing that the product be delivered to the U. S. O.

**5396. Adulteration of peanut butter. U. S. v. 84 Cases of Peanut Butter. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 9799. Sample No. 32655-F.)**

On April 14, 1943, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee filed a libel against 84 cases, each containing 24 jars, of peanut butter at Etowah, Tenn., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about January 12 and 14, 1943, by the Rainer Packing Co. from Montgomery, Ala.; and charging that it was adulterated in that the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid or decomposed substance, rodent hair fragments and rodent excreta fragments, or was otherwise unfit for food. The article was labeled in part: (Jars) "Brownee Peanut Butter \* \* \* Brownee Company \* \* \* Montgomery, Ala."

On July 6, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

**5397. Adulteration of peanut butter. U. S. v. 2,400 Jars of Peanut Butter. Default decree of condemnation. Product ordered sold to the highest bidder on condition that it should not be sold in violation of law. (F. D. C. No. 9800. Sample No. 6381-F.)**

This product had been damaged by fire and water after shipment in interstate commerce. Examination showed the screw caps to be loose, and, in some cases, rusted to some extent both inside and out. The product was also discolored in some jars, and moldy.

On April 13, 1943, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri filed a libel against 2,400 jars of peanut butter at St. Louis, Mo., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about November 27, 1942, from Chicago, Ill.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance.

On July 23, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered sold to the highest bidder, the decree providing that the marshal adopt adequate safeguards to prevent its sale in violation of the law. It was denatured and disposed of as hog feed.

**5398. Misbranding of peanut butter. U. S. v. 199 Cases of Peanut Butter. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond for refilling to the declared weight. (F. D. C. No. 10100. Sample No. 43304-F.)**

On June 16, 1943, the United States attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma filed a libel against 199 cases of peanut butter at Oklahoma City, Okla.,